Tutee Policy Statement

Tutees (students requesting tutoring) can submit an application(s) for course-specific tutoring through our website: www.tutoring.iastate.edu. That application is referred to as ‘tutee profile’ throughout this policy statement.

Group Tutoring

- Tutoring is an excellent opportunity to experience peer-facilitated learning with a small group (2 to 5 students) that meets consistently throughout the semester.
- Tutoring occurs 2 times per week per group for 50 minutes during fall and spring, 3 times per week during the summer semester.
- Tutees can request extra sessions if necessary and if their tutor has the availability. Extra sessions cost the same as regular sessions, but funding sources may not cover them.
- Tutors serve as group facilitators, not as second lecturers. Tutees are expected to still attend class, recitation, labs, etc.
- Tutees cannot receive direct answers to anything graded (homework, projects, quizzes, etc.)
- Tutees are typically placed with other tutees with the same professor, but we cannot guarantee that all students will have the same professor in a tutoring group.
- Tutees may request a group change through their profile but only once per course, per semester. Additional changes will not be granted unless there are extenuating circumstances.
- Communicate any questions or concerns you have regarding your sessions to your tutor before contacting the Academic Success Center directly. We value the feedback you can provide your tutor.

Fees and Funding Sources

- Group sessions are $5.00.
- If your tutoring is paid for by an outside source or office (not U-bill), funding approval is necessary according to their policies. Most funding sources will pay for only course per semester.
- There is a $5.00 administrative fee assessed at the time you are assigned a tutor. This fee is assessed one time per student, per semester. If you have a funding source, you should check with them to see if they cover this onetime fee.
- You are responsible for following up on your funding approval. Your funding status is listed on your tutee profile on the ASC website.
- Your funding source will NOT pay for no-show sessions. These charges will be billed directly to your U-bill at the regular session rate.
- Your funding source will NOT pay for sessions that exceed the regularly scheduled sessions. These sessions will be billed directly to your U-bill.
  - For example, if you have tutoring scheduled on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1pm, and an extra session is held on Wednesdays at 1pm, that extra session will be charged to your U-bill. This is an extra session in a week that exceeds the regular schedule.
- Tutoring charges are sent to Accounts Receivable at the end of each month and are posted to the next month’s U-Bill. For example, charges for August will appear in September.
- Tutors can sometimes mark attendance late. If that happens, your tutoring charges will appear even later than the typical ‘month behind’ timeline.
- If you want more information regarding funding, please contact Tutoring Services at 515-294-6624.
- If funding is denied or pending, you will not be assigned a tutor. The request is only complete once funding is approved by a funding source or approved for U-bill charge.
Attendance

- Your tutor will record attendance for each session. Participating in all assigned tutoring sessions will facilitate your academic progress and learning.
- If you must miss a session, you must notify your tutor in advance of the tutoring session to avoid being charged as a no-show for the session. The amount of time before a session that a tutor needs to be notified is up to the tutor.
- You (the tutee) can be marked as:
  - Present if you show up for the session. **$5 charge**
  - Excused if you let your tutor know in advance that you are unable to attend. **No charge**
  - No Show if you fail to let your tutor know that you can’t attend the session. **$5 charge**
- If your tutor cancels a session, you will not be charged.
- You (the tutee) will receive a weekly email update on your attendance as recorded by your tutor or you can review your attendance by clicking on the billing link on your Tutee Profile. Any discrepancies in your recorded attendance should be reported immediately to Tutoring Services at 515-294-6624 or tutorsrv@iastate.edu.
- If you have more than 3 no-show absences for any group, you WILL be removed from that group after your 4th absence. You WILL NOT receive another tutor for that course for that semester.
- This policy is in effect because of the large tutee demand and the need for accountability for tutoring session attendance. Please let tutoring staff know of any extenuating circumstances as they come up so we can work with you to meet your tutoring needs.

Additional Policies

- Tutees are responsible for checking for possible available groups and updating hours or courses on their profile.
- Tutors are assessed each semester. Please give tutors constructive feedback regarding their effectiveness as a tutor through this formal evaluation. Feedback is encouraged throughout your time with your tutor, though.
- Tutors are observed randomly throughout the semester. Tutoring staff members may sit in on a session to observe tutor effectiveness.
- Tutees are solely responsible for withdrawing from tutoring. To withdraw from tutoring, go to www.tutoring.iastate.edu log-in with your Net-ID and click the “withdraw” link next to your course request. Withdrawing is **NOT** the same as switching from one group to another.
- Emails will come from the Tutoring Services email: tutorsrv@iastate.edu. Please put this email address in your address book to avoid emails being sent to spam. You are responsible for the information sent via e-mail from tutorsrv@iastate.edu.

*I have read this policy statement thoroughly and I understand these policies/expectations are to help with my success. I understand I will follow these policies.*

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Print Name                   Signature                Date